The following chemical use data is the most recent data available.

After harvest, oats are generally marketed through local and/or terminal elevators, except those which are used on the farm. The diagram below shows the traditional postharvest marketing channels for oats. Most oats are used for livestock feed. This grain may be pulled out of the marketing channel at any point. Processors are also recipients of the grain at any point along the marketing channel.

Oats moving from a local elevator to a terminal elevator were duplicated in the total amount handled. The intent of the survey was to obtain the entire amount of chemicals applied to the stored oats; therefore, this duplication in quantity handled is necessary.

In addition to chemical applications, grain storage operators were also asked a series of questions pertaining to their pest management practices. Answers to these questions are summarized and included in the report.

